

# PUGET SOUND REGIONAL COUNCIL PRIORITY PROJECT LIST

## ***NARRATIVE PROJECT INFORMATION - October 2011***

*Due to Peter Heffernan (peter.heffernan@kingcounty.gov) no later than close of business Wednesday October 12.*

**Project Sponsor:** City of Auburn

**Project Name:** Grade-Separated Crossing of BNSF Railyard

**Project Location:** BNSF Rail Yard Between C Street SW & A Street SE

**What type of project is it:** Support Centers \_\_\_\_ Corridors Serving Centers x

### **Plan Consistency:**

- Transportation 2040 project number: \_\_\_\_\_
- Is the project consistent with the Transportation 2040: Yes x No \_\_\_\_

**Project Description - No more than two full page - (see evaluation criteria for information to include):**

The purpose of the project is to improve traffic operations, improve access for emergency service providers, improve traffic safety, and provide a durable, aesthetic grade separated crossing of the Burlington Northern Santa Fe (BNSF) Railroad between C Street SW and A Street SE in Auburn.

This project consists of a grade-separated crossing of the BNSF Railyard, either from SR-18 to 6th Street SE or from 15th Street SW to A Street SE. The first alternative would entail realigning the SR-18 eastbound ramp, grade separating the main north/south line and the Stampede Pass line, and connecting to 6th Street SE. The second alternative would provide a new corridor from 15th Street SW to A Street SE in the vicinity of 12th Street SE and 17th Street SE, either via an overpass or underpass of the BNSF Railyard. This project improves traffic flow significantly due to the potential development of the BNSF yard as an intermodal freight facility.

**Project Cost:** \$32,000,000

### **Project Status & Timeline**

Design engineering: 2017 to 2018

Right-of-way acquisition: 2018-2019

Construction: May 2019 to July 2020

## 2011 King County Local Need Project Evaluation Criteria

<b>Criteria (select either A or B)</b>	<b>Points</b>	High	Medium	Low
A. Centers				
Center Development	N/A	20	13	6
Benefit to Center	N/A	20	13	6
Circulation within Center	N/A	20	13	6
Mobility and Accessibility	N/A	20	13	6
B. Corridors Serving Centers				
Benefit to Center	18	20	13	6
System Continuity	17	20	13	6
Long Term Benefit/Sustainability	18	20	13	6
Mobility and Accessibility	16	20	13	6
C. Project Readiness/Financial Plan				
Project Readiness	3	10	7	3
D. Plan Consistency				
Plan Consistency	5	10	5	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>77</b>			